GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:190
ANSWERED ON:09.03.2001
BAN ON INDECENT PROGRAMMES
RAJESH RANJAN (PAPPU YADAV);RAM SHAKAL

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the foreign television channels telecast only such programmes and films which are full of violence, vulgarity and indecency;

(b) whether the Government propose to impose a ban on the telecast of such undesired programmes by foreign television channels;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SMT. SUSHMA SWARAJ)

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid down on the Table of the House.

STATEMENTREFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO 190 FOR ANSWER ON 9.3.2001.

(a) to (d): As per the provisions of the Cable Television Networks (Regulation) Act, 1995, the programmes of satellite channels, when transmitted through cable networks, are required to adhere to the prescribed Programme and Advertisement Codes. Enforcement of the provisions of the Act rests with the authorized officers i.e. DMs, SDMs, Commissioners of Police and other officers as may be notified by the Central/State Governments. The issue of effective implementation of the provisions of the Cable Act has been taken up with the State Governments.